

**Developmental Disabilities Council
Membership Committee
Courtyard Marriott
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Federal Way, Way
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March 16, 2006**

PRESENT: Vickie Foster (Chair) Mike Hatch, Diana McMaster, Alphonso Lee, Laethan Wene, Adrian Patayon, Shawn Latham, John Lemus

ABSENT: Erin Platts, Latham Wene

Staff: Cathy Townley, Stephanie Benfield

Call to order/agenda/approval of minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

The policy is currently being review by the Governance Committee. Alphonso suggested that it would be nice for someone from Governance to come and present any needed changes when they have completed their review.

DEVELOPMENT DAY

The May meeting will be held at the Federal Way Courtyard Marriott. Alisha Mark from Harris & Smith Public Affairs will present, in the afternoon, a half day training on media. The first part of the day may be Donna Patrick talking about leadership training. Diana McMaster reminded the team that adult learning is better with toys. She also pointed out that the May meeting is usually in eastern Washington and we arrange a dinner social. That will not happen in May but will happen in September as Council members retire and new members are joining. Please e-mail Cathy if you have ideas on a theme for the day.

GUIDELINES FOR RECRUITMENT

Shana Melenson, the Governor's appointment staff joined the group and talked about guidelines for recruitment. They basically look for:

1. Good Advocates
2. Represent a constituency
3. Gaps in ethnic, geographical, gender, knowledge
4. People who are very active in their community

Committee members asked if there is a reason a person would not be appointed. Shana replied that it would only happen if the person had a criminal history. Attendance and meeting participation is still very important to the Governor's office and this will include re-appointments.

Shana asked that a report on attendance and participation of those wishing to be re-appointed be included in the packet to the Governor. It will be a competitive process.

REPORT ON RECRUITMENT STATUS:

There are currently 18 applications that have come back to the Council office. The deadline will be extended to April 7.

CHARTER DISCUSSION:

The Charter was distributed to the committee but conversation was tabled until July.

ITEMS FOR JULY AGENDA

Development Day
Attendance Policy
Charter Discussion
Recruitment Update

With that, the meeting was adjourned.